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SUBJECT: ADM SHEAR'S INVITATION TO VADM MATEU SPANISH
NAVY

REFS: (A) STATE 150608 (B) STATE 148476

1. ADM SHEAR, PROSPECTIVE CINCSOUTH, WOULD LIKE TO INVITE
HIS LONG-TIME PERSONAL FRIEND VADM MATEU TO ATTEND THE
CHANGE-OF-COMMAND CEREMONY AT NAPLES ON JULY 18. AFTER
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FULL CONSIDERATION OF THE VARIOUS INFORMAL CONTACTS WHICH
HAVE BEEN UNDERTAKEN ON THIS MATTER, WE PERCEIVE NO
POLITICAL OBJECTION TO VADM MATEU'S PRESENCE AS A
SPECTATOR AT THE CEREMONY. INDEED THIS WOULD ADVANCE OUR
EFFORTS TO BRING SPAIN CLOSER TO THE ALLIANCE.

2. UNLESS MISSION PERCEIVES SPECIFIC OBJECTIONS, YOU

SHOULD INFORM SYG'S OFFICE, ITALIAN MISSION, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE MISSIONS OF ADM SHEAR'S INVITATION TO VADM MATEU, NOTING THAT VADM MATEU INITIATED REQUEST FOR INVITATION (REFTEL A) WHICH WE PRESUME WAS BASED PRIMARILY ON THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO OFFICERS.

3. (FYI) WE DOUBT THAT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT NON-NATO GENERAL OFFICERS OR OTHER HIGH OFFICIALS HAVE ATTENDED NATO CEREMONIES. ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM USNATO DIRECTLY OF ANY KNOWN PRECEDENTS. MISSION SHOULD BE AWARE THAT SEVERAL ALLIES SHOWED POSITIVE REACTION TO MATEU INTEREST WHEN IT WAS MENTIONED DURING RECENT CONSULTATIONS WITH THEM BY EUR/RPM OFFICER (REFTEL B). VANCE

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